

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 2, line 11 as follows:

--In the case where a process cartridge is mounted in an apparatus body, there are generated: ~~loads~~ (1) a load when a first support provided on the process cartridge and a first support provided on the apparatus body fit each other, (2) a load when a second support provided on the process cartridge and a second support provided on the apparatus body fit each other, and (3) a load at the time of connection of electric contacts.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 17, line 5 as follows:

--The ~~this-side~~ non-driven end of the drum shaft 2a is rotatably supported by a bearing 2e, and the bearing 2e is fixed to a bearing casing 2c. And the bearing casing 2c is fixed to a frame of the process cartridge 1.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 17, line 23 as follows:

-- The reference character 3c denotes a charging roller cleaning member having a flexible cleaning film 3e in the embodiment. The film 3e is arranged in parallel to a longitudinal direction of the charging roller 3a. Further, the film is arranged such that an end thereof is fixed to a support member 3f, which reciprocates a predetermined distance in the longitudinal direction, and a surface thereof near a free end thereof forms a contact nip on the charging roller 3a. The support member 3f is caused by drive means (not shown) to reciprocate a predetermined distance in the longitudinal direction whereby the cleaning film 3e slidingly contacts with the surface of

the charging roller. Thereby, extraneous matter ~~matters~~ (fine toner, external additive, or the like) on the surface of the charging roller are removed.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 19, line 21 as follows:

-- Owing to the provision of the toner residue equalizing means 3g, that residual toner in transfer, which is left ~~on~~ in a pattern on the surface of the photosensitive drum 2 and which is carried to the toner charging control means 3h from the transfer section d, is dispersed and distributed on the surface of the photosensitive drum to be non-patterned even when the residual toner in transfer is large in amount. Accordingly, toner will not concentrate on a part of the toner charging control means 3h and that processing, in which the residual toner in transfer is generally charged ~~in~~ to a normal polarity, is adequately performed by the toner charging control means 3h at all times, so that the residual toner in transfer is effectively prevented from adhering to the charging roller 3a. Also, a the pattern of the residual toner in transfer is also prevented from generating a ghost image.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 20, line 19 as follows:

-- Also, these means are moved (reciprocated) by a drive source (not shown) in the longitudinal direction of the photosensitive drum. Thereby, the toner residue equalizing means 3g and the toner charging control means 3h will not continue to remain in the same positions on the photosensitive drum. Accordingly, even when unevenness of the toner charging control means 3h in resistance causes overcharged portions and insufficiently charged portions to exist ~~be-existent~~, such portions will not always be formed on the same portions of the photosensitive drum.

Accordingly, it is possible to prevent or mitigate generation of fusion on the photosensitive drum due to overcharging of a minimum residual toner in transfer and adherence of the residual toner in transfer, to the charging roller 3a due to insufficiency of charging.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 21, line 21 as follows:

-- The laser exposing means is composed of a solid laser element (not shown), a polygon mirror 51a, an imaging lens 51b, a reflective mirror 51c, and so on. On the basis of an input image signal, a flash signal generator (not shown) controls ON/OFF light emission of the solid laser element ~~in~~ at a predetermined timing. The laser light L ~~emitted~~ radiated from the solid laser element is converted into a substantially parallel light flux by a collimator lens system (not shown) and caused by the high-speed rotating polygon mirror 51a to ~~be scanned~~ scan. And the light ~~forms a~~ makes spot-shaped image ~~formation~~ on the photosensitive drum 2 via the imaging lens 51b and the reflective mirror 51c.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 24, line 5 as follows:

-- A developer storage section 4h, in which a developer circulates, is divided, ~~except for~~ both ends thereof, into two halves by a longitudinal partition 4d. And agitating screws 4eA, 4eB are arranged with the partition 4d therebetween.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 27, line 5 as follows:

--As shown in Fig. 5, the screw 5a and the agitating shaft 5c are rotatably supported at both ends thereof by bearings 5d, and drive couplings (concave) 5e are arranged on one endmost

portions thereof. A drive is transmitted to the drive couplings (concave) 5e from drive couplings (convex) 62b of the apparatus body to rotatably drive the drive couplings. An external shape of the screw 5a is in the form of ~~assumes~~ a spiral-rib, and the spiral is reversed in a direction of twist with the discharge opening 5f as a center. Rotation of the drive couplings (convex) 62b causes rotation of the screw 5a in a predetermined direction of rotation.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 28, line 22 as follows:

-- The unit 54 is provided with the intermediary transfer belt 54a, which runs in the direction indicated by an arrow, and runs at a substantially the same peripheral speed as an outer peripheral speed of the photosensitive drum 2 in the direction indicated by an arrow. The intermediary transfer belt 54a comprises an endless belt having a peripheral length of about 940 mm and trained around three rollers, that is, a drive roller 54b, a secondary transfer opposing roller 54g, and a driven roller 54c.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 29, line 12 as follows:

-- The charging rollers 54fY, 54fM, 54fC, 54fK are supplied with electricity from a high voltage power supply (not shown) and perform charging of ~~reversed~~ reverse polarity from a back side of the transfer belt 54a. And toner images on the photosensitive drums 2 are consecutively subjected to primary transfer to an upper surface of the transfer belt 54a.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 30, line 11 as follows:

-- At this time, the recording medium 52 put in a state interposed between the both is subjected to transfer processing and simultaneously conveyed at a predetermined speed in a leftward direction in the figure 1 to be conveyed toward a fixing device 56, in which a subsequent processing is performed.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 32, line 26 as follows:

-- A direction, in which the cartridge 1 and the toner supply container are mounted, is in parallel to an axial direction of the photosensitive drum 2, and the guide rails 60, 61 are arranged in the same direction as the direction. The cartridge 1 and the toner supply container are initially slid from this side in the main body 100 to an inner side therein along the guide rails 60, 61 to be inserted thereinto.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 33, line 25 as follows:

-- Also, provided on a rear side plate 65 are support pins 63 (a first support member 63a, and a second support member 63b) to position the process cartridge. And the support pins 63 are inserted into the cartridge 1 to fix a position of the frame.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 42, line 11 as follows:

-- Thus it is possible to preceedingly perform positioning of a central axis of the photosensitive drum 2, which is most important for image quality and constitutes a reference for positioning the cartridge 1 in the main body 100. Thereafter, the photosensitive drum 2 is

positioned in the direction of rotation, after which coupling of the high voltage contact 71 and the contact pin 95 is made. Accordingly, since coupling of the high voltage contact 71 and the contact pin 95 is made in a state in state, ~~in~~ which positioning has been effected, it is possible to prevent excessive loads from being imposed on the high voltage contact 71 and the contact pin 95. Therefore, deformation and scarring of the high voltage contact 71 and the contact pin 95 can be prevented when the cartridge 1 is mounted in the main body 100, and failure in electric connection can be prevented.--.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 43, line 6 as follows:

-- Also, with the embodiment, directions, in which the first support 200 undergoes fitting, in which the second support 201 undergoes fitting, and in which the high voltage contact 71 undergoes coupling, are made the same as a direction in direction, ~~in~~ which the process cartridge 1 is mounted in the main body 100.--.